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Application of:

SAVARD, Donald D.

Serial No. : 09/899,906

Filed: July 6, 2001

PIG FOR DETECTING AN
OBSTRUCTION IN A PIPELINE

Docket No. 27140-A

Patent No.: 6,857,329

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REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION OF PATENT FOR USPTO'S MISTAKE
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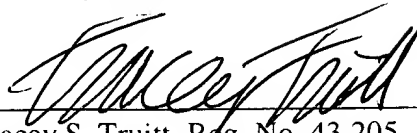
It is noted that an error appears in issued U.S. Patent No. 6,857,329 as described below. Correction thereof does not involve such changes in the patent as would constitute new matter or would require re-examination. A certificate of correction is therefore properly requested.

The filing date is listed on the issued patent as December 3, 2003. This appears to be incorrect as the correct filing date appears to be July 6, 2001. As can be seen by the Notice of Missing Parts that was mailed by the PTO on August 2, 2001, the application at the date of filing was missing Figure 3A, which was described in the specification. A Filing Receipt was also mailed on August 2, 2001, and this Filing Receipt accorded the application a filing date of July 6, 2001. Subsequently, a Preliminary Amendment was filed on December 3, 2001, which deleted the paragraph in the specification describing Figure 3A. This Preliminary Amendment is attached to this Petition as Exhibit C. Accordingly, the specification, claims, and all drawings had been submitted to the PTO on July 6, 2001.

Please forward the corrected Certificate to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

On the front page after the heading entitled Filed: the text "Dec. 3, 2003" should be replaced with --July 6, 2001--.

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Transmitted herewith are: Express Mail Transmittal (1 pg); Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.182 to Correct the Filing Date of Patent U.S. 6,857,329 (2 pgs); Request for Certificate of Correction of Patent for USPTO's Mistake (37 C.F.R. § 1.322) (2 pgs); Certificate of Correction (1 pg); Exhibit A (2 pgs); Exhibit B (2 pgs); Exhibit C (1 pg); Exhibit D (1 pg); and return postcard (1 pg)

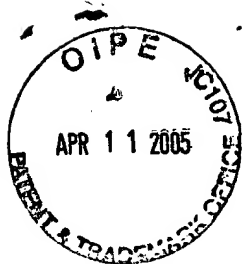
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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.182 TO CORRECT THE FILING DATE OF PATENT U.S.
6,857,329

It is noted that an error appears in issued U.S. Patent No. 6,857,329 as described below. Correction thereof does not involve such changes in the patent as would constitute new matter or would require re-examination. A correction of this error is respectfully requested.

The filing date is listed on the issued patent as December 3, 2003. This appears to be incorrect as the correct filing date appears to be July 6, 2001. A Notice to File Missing Parts was mailed on August 2, 2001. The Notice to File Missing Parts noted that the application was missing Figure 3A, which was described in the specification. However, the application was accorded a filing date of July 6, 2001. This Notice is attached to this Petition as Exhibit A. A Filing Receipt was also mailed on August 2, 2001, and this Filing Receipt accorded the application a filing date of July 6, 2001. This Filing Receipt is attached to this Petition as Exhibit B. Subsequently, a Preliminary Amendment was filed on December 3, 2001, which deleted the paragraph in the specification describing Figure 3A. This Preliminary Amendment is attached to this Petition as Exhibit C. Accordingly, the specification, claims, and all drawings had been submitted to the PTO on July 6.


2001. However, on April 7, 2004, an Updated Filing Receipt was mailed from the USPTO changing the filing date to December 3, 2003. No reason was provided for changing of the filing date. This Updated Filing Receipt is attached to this Petition as Exhibit D. Unfortunately, this error went undiscovered by the Applicant until the Patent subsequently issued on February 22, 2005.

Applicant submits that the changing of the filing date of U.S. Patent 6,857,329 from July 6, 2001 to December 3, 2003, is in error. Accordingly, Applicant petitions this office to correct the filing date of U.S. Patent 6,857,329 and change it to July 6, 2001.

In connection with this petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.182, a Request for a Certificate of Correction is also included herewith. In the event that the petition under § 1.182 is granted, consideration of the Certificate of Correction is also respectfully requested so that the correct filing date is included with the patent.

The appropriate fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. Section 1.17(h) is enclosed. Any additional fee which is due in connection with this Petition should be applied against our Deposit Account No. 19-0522.

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